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## <u>Amendment</u>

## Please amend the claims as follows:

- (Currently amended) An article of manufacture, comprising: a pre-measured portion of brown sugar a granular baking ingredient, enclosed in a suitable container, wherein said brown sugar comprises loosely-packed brown sugar, and said pre-measured portion is an amount equivalent to a pre-measured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar.
  - 2. (Currently amended) The article of claim 1, wherein said pre-measured portion premeasured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar is larger than 1/8 cup.
  - 3. (Currently amended) The article of claim 1, wherein said pre-measured portion pre-measured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar is selected from the group consisting of 1 cup, 3/4 cup, 2/3 cup, 1/2 cup, 1/3 cup, 1/4 cup, and 1/8 cup.
  - 4. (Cancelled)
  - (Cancelled)
  - 6. (Cancelled)
  - 7. (Cancelled)
  - 8. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein said article comprises a plurality of premeasured portions, each enclosed in an individual container.
  - 9. (Original) The article of claim 8, wherein said plurality of pre-measured portions comprises a plurality of different sized portions.

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- 10. (Currently amended) The article of claim 9, wherein at least one pre-measured portion pre-measured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar size is selected from the group consisting of 1 cup, 3/4 cup, 2/3 cup, 1/2 cup, 1/3 cup, 1/4 cup, and 1/8 cup.
  - 11. (Cancelled)
  - 12. (Cancelled)
  - 13. (Cancelled)
  - 14. (Cancelled)
  - 15. (Cancelled)
  - 16. (Cancelled)
  - 17. (Cancelled)
  - 18. (Cancelled)
  - 19. (Currently amended) An article of manufacture, comprising a plurality of bags, each bag comprising a pre-measured portion of brown sugar a granular baking ingredient, wherein said brown sugar comprises loosely-packed brown sugar, and said pre-measured portion is an amount equivalent to a pre-measured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar.
  - 20. (Cancelled)

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- 21. (Currently amended) The article of claim 19, wherein said pro-measured portion premeasured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar is selected from the group consisting of 3/4 cup, 2/3 cup, 1/2 cup, 1/3 cup, 1/4 cup, and 1/8 cup.
- 22. (Original) The article of claim 19, wherein said plurality of bags comprises at least four bags.
- 23. (Original) The article of claim 19, wherein each bag contains an identical pre-measured portion.
- 24. (Original) The article of claim 19, wherein said plurality of bags are joined end to end in a chain.